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BIRTH.

At Amoy, Thomson's Hotel, on the 15th inst.,
the wife of R. A. ALLAN, of a daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

DISASTROUS STORM AT HOME.

A terrific storm swept over Great Britain on
Friday, causing immense damage and loss of
life.

TROUBLE IN HUNGARY.

The Hungarian Ministry, although in a large
majority in Parliament, has resigned, believing
that it has lost the confidence of the Emperor,
who is disposed to listen to the Clerical in pre-
ference to the Liberal party.

FRANCE AND MADAGASCAR.

An outpost of the Hova army has been fired
at by a French cruiser in Antong Bay; three
of the Hovas were killed whilst withdrawing.A French warship has captured a Hova steamer
near Tamatave.

ANOTHER JAPANESE VICTORY.

The Japanese troops, after five hours severe
fighting, routed ten thousand Chinese near Hal-
cheng on the 19th instant.(Special to *Siam Observer*.)A SEVENTH EUROPEAN POWER
PARIS, December 24th.The French press is much excited over Mr.
Jewell's appointment to take part in the com-
mission of inquiry into the alleged Armenian
tragedy. Such intervention, the papers urge, is
contrary to the Monroe doctrine, and possesses
grave significance, indicating the possibility of
America becoming a seventh European Power.

THE LOSS OF THE "WAIRARAPOA."

AUCKLAND, December 24th.

The Court of Inquiry into the loss of the
Wairarapoa on the coast of the Great Barrier
Island on October 28th, finds that the vessel was
lost owing to the default of the Captain and chief
officer, who were guilty of negligence in saving
life, while the crew also failed to do all that was
usually expected of British seamen.(Special to *Shanghai Mercury*.)THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.
YOKOHAMA, December 15th.A telegram from Antung, dated the night of
the 13th instant, states that General Nodzu
reports that General Tachibana's Brigade, which
is now at Taohukou, is preparing to attack the
Chinese force at Lianshan.At Fengwang, on the 12th instant, a Japanese
scouting party, observing a large force of
Chinese, returned. The enemy pushed their
way to the south, making a stop at Yihmanshan,
five miles from Fengwang. On the 13th
instant, at break of day, a Japanese detach-
ment made a sortie and commenced fighting
the Chinese, who were four thousand strong.Endeavours were made during the attack to
break through from Alyangyang and the Chinese
retreated, but the Japanese detachment made
defensive tactics. The Japanese will attack
the Chinese left wing on the 15th instant.One battalion of the Fifth Division marched
in Fengwang on the 14th instant, from
Tansanchen, and one battalion from Chulien
will advance to Tansanchen.In a telegram, dated Antung, at midnight on
the 14th instant, General Nodzu reports that the
Fengwang garrison under Colonel Tamoyasu,
at daylight on the 13th instant, attacked and
defeated a Chinese force of Yihmanshan. The
enemy retreated towards Tsimatoh. The
Japanese casualties in this action were three
officers and seventy men killed and wounded.At the time the telegram was forwarded the
Japanese were examining the Chinese loss,
which will be sent later on. The Japanese
captured four guns and a number of prisoners
were taken. The Chinese forces were under the
command of General Yi and they numbered over
four thousand. They were Kitchin troops and very
suave and much braver than the Chinese
troops before encountered. A portion of General
Tachibana's Brigade is now moving to the south-
ward to head back these enemies.No advices have been received from the Left
Division, in consequence of the Japanese tele-
graphs in that direction being interrupted.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, November 30th.

The agreement, made between the Govern-
ment and Mr. Cecil Rhodes, assigning the
direct administration of the territory north of the
Zimbezi to the British South African Company,
was signed on Saturday last and published to-
day.

ROME, November 30th.

A decree has been issued by King Humbert
establishing extensive military reforms for
simplifying the organization of the army and
facilitating the rapid mobilization of the troops.
The annual saving that will be effected is esti-
mated at eight million lire.

LONDON, December 1st.

The *Times*, in a leading article to-day, warmly
praises the speech of Lord Elgin at the Lahore
dinner and adds that a convention between
Great Britain and Russia is probable, but not
quite so near signature as is assumed in some
quarters, and cautions some of the details of settle-
ment require the co-operation of China. The
article states that the main difficulties have
been removed and further delays that may occur
will not indicate any reluctance on either side
to conclude an amicable agreement.The Japanese are making extensive prepara-
tions for a winter campaign.

CAIRO, December 3rd.

The French gunboat *Gabes* has left Port Said
for Madagascar.

PARIS, December 3rd.

The French journals have taken up an attitude
of close watchfulness regarding the action of Mr.
Cecil Rhodes and the extension of the sphere of
the British South African Company. *The Temps*
regards the cession of the Zimbezi colony to Mr.
Cecil Rhodes as another step towards the forma-
tion of an African Empire similar to that of India,
and declares that an English Africa is no longer
a mere dream of enthusiasts.

CAIRO, December 3rd.

In spite of the large surplus resulting this year
from the successful control of Egyptian finances,
and the urgent necessity for lessening the tax-
ation, the French Commissioner persists in re-
fusing to assent to the employment of the savings
effected in the Budget towards the reduction of
this tax. He also refuses to assent to the con-
version of the United Sock. The *Journal*
Egyptien, a newspaper receiving inspiration from
French official sources, has begun a vehement
campaign against the British control of Egypt.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 3rd.

The Russian press continues to comment
freely on the *rapprochement* with Great Britain.
The *Novoye Vremya* says that Russia will be
pleased at the existence of a better understanding
with England if the advantages to be derived
therefrom will be reciprocal, and if Great Britain
will become a friend of Russia in Asia, and cease
opposing her policy in Europe.

ROME, December 3rd.

The Italian Parliament was opened to-day.
The speech from the Throne announced that
measures would be taken to balance the Budget
and restore the credit of the country. It stated
that the domestic outlook was promising. Refer-
ring to foreign politics the speech dwelt upon the
Peace, and said that the peace of Europe was
assured, for none desired nor dared to disturb
the present tranquillity.

WASHINGTON, December 3rd.

President Cleveland, in his message to Con-
gress, announces that efforts will continue to be
made to counteract the depletion of the gold
reserve in the Treasury by the issue of bonds
until the present law is altered. President Cleve-
land strongly favours the scheme to modify the
present banking laws and provide for the issue
of circulating notes by State banks exempt from
taxation.Mr. Carlisle, to the Secretary to the Treasury,
reports a deficit in last year's budget of seventymillion dollars. The excess of expenditure over
revenue this year is estimated at twenty million
dollars.

LONDON, December 4th.

The *Times* co-firms, from independent
sources, the reports current of the frightful mas-
sacres and atrocities committed by Turkish sol-
diers at Sassoun in Armenia. Lord Kimberley
has sent an energetic remonstrance to the Porte.
The troops who carried out the slaughter were
under the command of Zekki Pasha, and so in-
human were the orders given by the officer that
the soldiers themselves hesitated to obey them.Under his directions the villagers were annihilated.
Zekki Pasha has since been decorated by the
Sultan. The *Times* insists upon the necessity
for a searching and independent enquiry, and
the punishment of the persons implicated in the
atrocities.Address received from Uganda states that a
powerful King Kabba Raja, of Unyoro, the
enemy both of Uganda and the English, attacked
the fort at Holma in September last. Captain
Burdon, in charge of the advanced post, re-
sisted the attack, killing many, including several
chiefs.

CAIRO, December 5th.

The natives here are much incensed against
France owing to the refusal of the French Com-
missioner to consent to the conversion of the
united stock and thereby preventing the reduc-
tion of the land-tax.

PARIS, December 5th.

President Cleveland declares that he will seize
every favourable opportunity to intervene
between the belligerents in favour of peace.

December 6th.

At the opening of the German Reichstag the
German Emperor spoke long and vigorously on
the new project against the Socialists. He had
very confidence in the maintenance of European
peace, and referred touchingly to the sad death
of the late Czar. He seized the occasion to
assure them that the desire for peace pervaded
the German Empire, and the recent demonstration
of popular sympathy with France and Russia
throughout the world proved the general desire
of the civilized world for tranquillity.The French Chamber are discussing the
budget.

RANGOON, December 6th.

The Siamese Government, reached Bombay on the
3rd instant. He proceeds to Ajmer, Lahore,
Delhi, and Allahabad, and also probably to
Burma, his object being to visit and inspect the
great irrigation and waterworks of the various
Governments, which are giving him every facility
for so doing.

LONDON, December 6th.

A *Times* telegram says that Japan is implacable,
and is resolved to deeply humiliate China
before entertaining any proposals for peace.The Russians are increasing the strength of
their forces stationed on the Armenian frontier
with a view to the trouble which appear to be
increasing in that region. The Russian forces have
been increased by 10,000 troops.Lord Kimberley, speaking at the Eighty Club
last night, said that the Government was engaged
in active correspondence to obtain a searching
and impartial inquiry into the recent events in
Armenia. The Government, he said, deeply
sensible of the gravity of the matter, and would
not fail in its duty.Earl Spencer, speaking at Wolverhampton
yesterday, declared to the Liberal party not to
press the Government to reveal its scheme for
dealing with the House of Lords, because such
a declaration could only cause the defeat of the
object in view. The Government, he added
further, had not abandoned Home Rule.

CALCUTTA, December 6th.

News from Calcutta, dated November 25th,
states that the Hon. G. Curzon was enjoying his
visit to the Amtr. The Amtr has presented him
with a gold cigarette case bearing the Amtr's
coat of arms in enamel with the Curzon crest and
motto. Mr. Curzon has left Calcutta for India via
Kandahar, and it is rumoured that he carries a
packet containing the Amtr's acceptance of the
Queen's invitation to visit England.

PARIS, December 6th.

Mr. Hanotaux has declared that the object of
the expedition to Madagascar is to establish a
protectorate similar to the one now exercised by
France over Tunis.

LONDON, December 6th.

Earl Spencer in a speech made at Wolver-
hampton yesterday appealed to the Liberal
Party not to press the Government to reveal the
plan decided upon for dealing with the House of
Lords, as any declaration made at the present
moment would cause a defeat of the object they
had in view. His Lordship pointed out that the
House of Lords Bill had been shelved by Govern-
ment. The Liberal Party is fully pledged to
grant the demands of Ireland, and the present
tranquillity in that country was due to the con-
fidence felt that Home Rule would eventually be
obtained.The *Times* William has congratulated the
Royal Scots Greys on the appointment of the
Earl to the Honorary Colonelcy of their regi-
ment, and says that the appointment is a
honour conferred by being made commander of a
regiment which so distinguished itself at the
Battle of Waterloo.The *Times* in an article to-day says the
hearty thanks of the nation is due to the
Princess of Wales for the unreserved tact,
dignity and good feeling displayed by her Royal
Highness during his stay at St. Petersburg.The article points out that the Princess, these
days, has been able to address great gatherings
and in their own language.It is stated that two Russian transports have
been ordered to Batumi, with thirteen thousand
troops to increase the Russian force stationed
on the Armenian frontier. It is believed that
measures have been taken owing to the trouble
in Armenia.Three Russian men-of-war now at Piræus
have been ordered to China.It is shown that the decoration given by the
Sultan of Turkey to Zekki Pasha was conferred
upon him in June last, so it is therefore wholly
unconnected with the part taken by that officer
in the recent events in Armenia.

PARIS, December 6th.

The French Senate have passed the credits
for the expedition to Madagascar, with much
enthusiasm. Only M. de Selves dissenting from
the Government demands. Mr. Hanotaux, Min-
ister for Foreign Affairs, declared that the object
of the expedition was to establish a protectorate
similar to the one now exercised by France over
Tunis.It is reported that Admiral is about to be
declared a British protectorate, and that a re-
sident will be appointed to reside there.The first sitting of the German Reichstag was
held in the new building. To mark the occasion
the President of the Reichstag, Prince Bismarck,
has issued a decree that the Reichstag shall be
known as the Reichstag of the German Empire.The Reichstag has passed a law that the
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THERE will be no issue of the *Hongkong
Telegraph* on Christmas and Boxing Days,
the 25th and 26th inst. We take this opportunity
of cordially wishing our readers, one and all,
A MERRY CHRISTMAS.H.M.S. *Gibraltar* was expected in Singapore
on the 21st inst.The British gunboat *Panchoy* arrived here
yesterday forenoon from Hankow.NOMINATIONS for the Hongkong Derby of 1895
close to the Acting Clerk of the Course (Mr.
Hart Buck) on Saturday next, the 20th inst.The returns of the number of visitors to the City
Hall Museum for the week ended Dec. 23rd,
are:—Europeans, 145; Chinese, 1,635; total
1,780.On the 17th inst. Madame Chaillet and her
little daughter, who were abducted by pirates
near Mouney (Tonkin) about six months ago,
were ransomed.We are informed by the Agent of the Messageries
Maritimes Co. that the steamer *Natal*, with
the new French mail, left Saigon for this port
on Sunday at midnight.His Excellency the Governor has given his
assent in name and on behalf of the Queen to
the *Appropriation Ordinance* (1895), and the
Post Office Amendment Ordinance.MISS ELISE ADAIR, the talented and popular
serpentine dancer, will appear at the Theatre
Royal, City Hall, to-morrow night, assisted by
Messrs. Vandell and Boyer and several of our
leading local amateurs.MIN YONG-CHUNG, late Prime Minister of
Korea, arrived at Hongkong last week after a
long overland journey via Tientsin and Shang-
hai. His Excellency is the guest of Prince Min
Yong-ik, who has been a resident in this Colony
for the past six years.The four-masted British steamer *Guy Mannering*
turned up at Woosung a few days ago,
having steamed out to the Far East round the
Cape. She is reported to have brought out a
large quantity of arms and ammunition from
Germany for the Chinese Government.In consequence of a rebellion having broken out
in the island of Yilan, near Mindoro, in the
Philippines, resulting in the massacre of a
number of Spanish artillerymen, the Spanish
cruiser *Don Juan de Austria* was ordered, by
cablegram, to leave Shanghai on the 17th instant
and proceed direct to the scene of the outbreak.Owing to the arrival of the Australian mail this
afternoon, which brought a mass of interesting
news that will be found in another part of this
issue, we are obliged to hold over articles on
"The Customs Blockade," "A Legislative
Farce," and a lot of interesting correspondence.
The next issue of the *Telegraph* will be a "best
on record."We want give the number—that would render
us liable under the anti-Gambling Ordinance—but
we do not mind saying that the winner of
the big prize in the Manila Lottery this month
(\$100,000) is a Chinaman who purchased the
ticket from a Portuguese speculator, who would
have liked to cut off the hand that took the price of
the ticket from the lucky Celestial.YESTERDAY there was a Church Parade of the
Hongkong Volunteers, who rolled up in good
numbers. All went off very well except the
organ that had sprung a leak somewhere in the
vicinity of the bellows and completely blew
itself to the last gasp. It was better in the
evening, however, as the organ recovered
itself by this afternoon in time for the deligat-
ly weekly recital.LAST Saturday evening His Excellency the
Governor distributed the prizes at St. Joseph's
College, and in reply to a speech made by Mr.
J. J. O'Connell, Q.C., who acted as spokesman for
the Principals of the College, expressed his
pleasure at the satisfactory nature of the report
and the success attained by the representatives of
the College at the recent Oxford Local
examination.D'ARCY'S MARIONETTES will open their Hong-
kong season in a cosy little theatre on the
Praya Reclamation, opposite the Cricket Club
Pavilion, to-morrow night. This first-class
entertainment has met with unqualified success
in all parts of the world, and will no doubt be
most heartily supported by all classes in Hong-
kong. Full details will be found in our adver-
tising columns.Mr. T. Richardson, who recently left the Pacific
Mail Steamship Co.'s service with an A.1.
record, was lately installed as manager of the
Hongkong Hotel on the 22nd inst., after Mr. R.
Tucker, whose contract expired a few weeks ago,
was replaced by Mr. Richardson, who has been in the
hotel given a free hand, but as far as we know what
the "Hongkong" wants is not so much a fine
and large new manager, but less interference on
the part of directors, whose knowledge of hotel
management wouldn't fill a very large volume.Mr. Tucker has during his five years in Hong-
kong made himself deservedly popular, and he
will take away with him the best wishes of a
large circle of friends when he shakes the dust of
Hongkong off his feet next month and sets sail
for "home, sweet home."THE following will be the teams in the cricket
match, Scotland vs. the World, to be played on
the Victoria Recreation Ground to-morrow and on
Boxing Day.

THE WORLD.

S. L. Darby.
T. S. Smith.
R. S. Thomson.
C. M. Firth.
E. C. Ellis.
R. F. Lamont.
Sergeant-Major Read.
E. S. Eschell.
B. F. Sullivan.
H. M. Elliot.
E. Mast.
A. N. O'Her.

SCOTLAND.

J. A. Lawson.
F. G. Anderson, H.K.R.
A. S. Anton.
J. G. Watson.
Gershom Stewart.
W. Taylor.
D. Landale.
E. W. Maitland.
F. Maitland.
D. G. Campbell, H.K.R.
A. N. O'Her.Play will begin on both days at 11 a.m., and finish
will be served in the Pavilion at 1 p.m.THE annual meeting of Victoria Lodge was held
on Saturday evening, when Bro. E. C. Ellis was
installed Worshipful Master for the ensuing
year. The ceremony being conducted by the Dis-
tinguished Master, R. W. Bro. C. C. Clarke,
who was attended by the Grand Lodge officers.
Bro. Ellis afterwards invested the following office
bearers:—S.W. Bro. W. Newton.
J.W. Bro. G. P. Lamont.
Secretary, Wor. Bro. A. O'D. Gordin.
Treasurer, Wor. Bro. R. C. Edwards.
S.D. Bro. M. Ward.
J.D. Bro. K. W. Mounsey.
V.G. Bro. C. W. Longest.
D. of C. Bro. L. H. Sandilands.
I.G. Bro. W. M. Thompson.
Steward, Bro. G. F. H. Potts.
Tyler, Bro. J. R. Grimble.A banquet was afterwards held, at which the
usual loyal and masquerade toasts were duly
humoured.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held
this afternoon. There were present:—The
Governor, Sir William Robinson; Mr. J. H.
Stewart Lockhart (Registrar-General and Acting
Colonial Secretary); Mr. W. M. Goodman
(Attorney-General); Mr. R. M. Ramsey, R.N.
(Harbour Master); Mr. N. G. Mitchell (Public
Colonial Treasurer); Dr. Ho Kai, Messrs. C.
P. Chater, A. McConachie and E. R. Bellios,
unofficial members, and Mr. J. G. T. Buckle,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH BILL.

Before the Council adjourned on Saturday a
fewly discussion took place on clause VI. of the
Bill which reads as follows:—"No building shall, hereafter, be erected of
greater height than in accordance with the
following rules:—"The height of a building shall not exceed 35
feet, where the width of the street in which
the principal front of such building abuts,
does not exceed 15 feet. Where the width
of such street exceeds 15 feet, but does not
exceed 20 feet, the height of such building
shall not exceed 35 feet. Where the width of
such street exceeds 20 feet, but does not
exceed 25 feet, the height of such building
shall not exceed 45 feet. Where the width of
such street exceeds 25 feet, but does not
exceed 30 feet, the height of such building
shall not exceed 52 feet. Where the width of such
street exceeds 30 feet, but does not exceed
35 feet, the height of such building shall not
exceed 60 feet. Where the width of such
street exceeds 35 feet, but does not exceed
40 feet, the height of such building shall not
exceed 70 feet."No building shall exceed 70 feet in height
above the level of the street, without the permis-
sion of the Sanitary Board."Provided that in any special case in which,
in the opinion of the Board, a departure from
these rules may be permitted without detriment
to the public health, the Board may in writing
authorise such departure."The width of the street shall be the shortest
distance measured between the main walls of
the buildings on the opposite sides thereof, as
the building line as determined by the Director
of Public Works, where there is no building,
opposite. For the purpose of determining such
building line the main walls of the buildings,
exclusive of balconies or verandahs, shall be taken."The height of any building shall be mea-
sured from the level of the street to the under-
side of the eaves of such building, at their point
of junction with the main walls thereof."The Attorney-General said this is a new section.
It regulates the height of buildings, and of course
with a view to sanitation, that there should be
sufficient ventilation in the streets. You will
see that we have put in, in order to meet any
cases where great hardship might be worked,
a provision that in any special case in which in
the opinion of the Board a departure from these
rules may be permitted without detriment to
public health, the Board may authorise such
departure; so that should it be necessary to put
up some very high building, a factory or some-
thing of that kind, a departure from the rules
may be sanctioned. In that case it would be for
the Board to sanction it. In the absence of such
sanction the requirements of this section apply.
I move that the section stand part of the Bill.

The Director of Public Works seconded.

Mr. E. R. Bellios—Sir, I beg to propose that
clause 12 be deleted from the Bill. Hon.
members of Council who have travelled in the
United States will remember that during their
peripatations they have come across buildings
twelve and thirteen stories high, in several cases
overtopping the highest church steeples. These
houses have been constructed regardless of the
width of streets and roads. Hon. members who
have visited Vienna and Venice will remember
the high houses and the narrow lanes, yet, sir,
these cities are not lacking in health. In Hong-
kong, where land is valuable, where the number
of building sites is limited, where houses are
built on a slope, almost every house having a
glimpse of the harbour in Hongkong, which is
expected to be the great emporium of China, with
Kowloon as the terminus of a grand trunk rail-
way to Peking, to restrict us in building high
houses is a mistake and a folly, and I think, sir,
it will retard and prevent the

In the street, and it was discovered that death had resulted from a high fever and in the throat. There is no doubt that the case is one of malarial fever, but up to the present the police have not succeeded in obtaining a clue as to the perpetrator of the crime.

The marriage of the Czar Nicholas II. of Russia to Princess Alix of Hesse was celebrated to-day at the Winter Palace, St. Petersburg. The ceremony, which was conducted in semi-state, was attended by 60 royal persons. In celebration of the event, a dinner was given to 40,000 of the poor of St. Petersburg.

November 27th.
His Holiness the Pope has been presented with the funds raised by the Peter's Pence contributions in Australia. The Pope expressed himself as highly gratified with the demonstration of practical sympathy in Australia with the work of the Roman Catholic Church, and stated that as a recognition of his appreciation he intended to increase the number of bishops for Australia.

November 28th.
A rich discovery of gold and diamonds has been reported in the Zambesi country in South East Africa.
The British warship, *Daphne*, with a large body of marines, has been ordered to Tientsin. It is reported that Russia has applied to the Sultan of Turkey for a coaling station on the Bosphorus.

Great Britain has formally recognized the Hawaiian Republic.
Lord Salisbury considers bimetalism to be a subject of supreme importance.

SYDNEY, November 29th.
The unfortunate news was received in Sydney this morning that the steamer *Guyard*, belonging to the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Co., was a total wreck near the Heads. The news was confirmed, and details received to the effect that the steamer went ashore on the rocks at North Head last night during a thick haze and became a total wreck. Her back broke shortly after the vessel struck.

Signals of distress were made, and these were observed by the same company's passenger steamer *Sydney*, bound from Sydney to Newcastle. Captain Anderson, of the *Sydney*, got as close as he could to the stranded vessel, and on ascertaining the serious nature of the disaster to the *Guyard*, the majority of the crew were taken on board the *Sydney* and conveyed to Newcastle, where they were landed this morning. The captain and several of the hands remained by the wreck to save what was possible.

The cricket match, England v. New South Wales, was concluded in Sydney on Tuesday, the Englishmen winning by 8 wickets.
James Ryan, a shearer, was killed in a fight with a coloured man named Reynolds at Bathurst. Reynolds has been charged with manslaughter.
A plumber named Teller fell from the top of the Works Office in Sydney, a height of 120 feet, and was killed.

Adelaide, November 29th.
Adelaide is suffering from a partial water famine and the heat there is excessive.

SYDNEY, December 3rd.
The Chief Justice at Sydney has sentenced four underlings, found guilty of complicity in setting fire to Momba Station, to seven years' imprisonment with hard labour.

LONDON, December 5th.
President Cleveland, in a message to Congress, advises the withdrawal of the United States from the joint control of Samoa on reasonable terms.

The third-class cruiser *Pyralis* is to replace H.M.S. *Cyclops* at the station.
A Russian loan of twenty million pounds to complete the Siberian Railway is believed to be impending.

Reginald Sanderson, nephew of Colonel Sanderson, the well-known unionist M.P., has been arrested on his confession to a charge of murdering a woman of ill-fame in the street at Kensington, but it is believed to be insane.
Lord Jersey's report on the Ottawa conference has been well received in Canada.

A singular and calamitous subsidence of land has occurred at Puget Sound, the terminus of the Pacific R.R. way. The disaster occurred with extraordinary suddenness, and a great deal of valuable property has vanished into the sea, including six hundred feet of the fine docks and two large steamers undergoing repairs there, and the whole of the buildings connected with the railway.

The discovery of a filibuster plot for the assassination of the young Czar is already reported.

The London *Times* publishes a strong article condemning the recent atrocities perpetrated upon Christians in Armenia, and pointing out that the chief instigator of these outrages has been publicly honoured and decorated by the Sultan. The writer urges that the European Powers should interfere and insist on the punishment of the offenders.

ADLAIDE, December 6th.
The intercolonial mail, South Australia versus Victoria, has ended in the first-named securing a most decided victory with ten wickets to spare.

SYDNEY, December 6th.
The salary of the Speaking, and the whole of the Civil Service salaries, has been reduced to percent.

The debate is now proceeding in the Assembly over a proposal for a similar tax on the salaries of hon. members, many of these gentlemen displaying a decided objection to such a course.

The latest news from Samoa states that further fighting is threatened.

MELBOURNE, December 6th.
Dr. Fenwick has been committed to take his trial on a charge of manslaughter, the result of an inquiry as to the cause of death of a young woman named Mary Beckman. The evidence showed the doctor to have been guilty of gross carelessness and ignorance of his profession.

The loss to the State in Victorian coal on its railway is stated to amount to £2,000 a year.

AUCKLAND, December 6th.
A new goal is to be built in Dunedin, and the work is to be carried out on the co-operative principle.

BRISBANE, December 6th.

The cricket match between Stoddart's English Eleven and eighteen of Toowoomba, was concluded yesterday, and resulted in a draw. The Englishmen, who did not commence their second innings, had only three runs to get to win.

EASTERN SHANSI.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

November 26th.
We are here enveloped in snow, so pure, so white, so beautiful, but cold. It is reasonable and we are glad to have it, and so we are, are those who have winter wheat in the ground. The winter, thus far, has been unusually damp in this part of China.

We are now bestirring ourselves to more warlike preparations. Three thousand soldiers have been called for from this province. They are leaving the capital, for the seat of war, in batches of a couple of hundred or so almost daily. It is whispered that among them are not a few who would rather be soldiers in times of peace, and are taking active measures to preserve their strength for that purpose. It is said that some unfortunate wretches, who are caught in the act of desertion, do not live to run away another day. Nevertheless, they are in private

known by those who are in the confidence of those warriors, that not a few will be courageous enough to take the risk after pay-day. We do not suppose they are all cowards, however, and among them may be many a brave fellow. It is only a pity they were not better officered, trained and equipped.

The old veterans, over sixty, whose expectation of being decorated with a "button," in honour of H.I.M. the Empress Dowager's sixtieth birthday, in addition to being pecuniarily rewarded for their vitality, had been so highly rated, are feeling the disappointment rather keenly. The money is now hopelessly diverted into another channel, and even the button seems to be lost sight of, among visions of Japanese invaders sailing through the land. The old men, having waited so patiently for sixty years, will, perhaps, not mind waiting a little longer until the air clears a bit.

A persecution of native Christians has been going on for some time at Pingto, where the English Baptist Mission has an outstation. This autumn the grain of one of the Christians was seized, as soon as it was gathered, because he refused to pay temple dues. This was going a step further than the man could well bear; the prospect of no food for the winter was not pleasing; and so he determined to approach the dreaded *yamen* with his case. The case was tried last week by the Sheoyangshan, in whose district Pingto lies, and he gave judgment in favour of the Christian, and ordered his grain to be returned to him. After judgment had been given and while the magistrate was giving a few final instructions the chief elder of the village stepped forward and, in the open court, prayed him to expel the foreigners. He was promptly ordered a hundred blows on the mouth, fifty of which were there and then administered; the other fifty were cancelled through the entreaties of the man's friends and he returned to his home a sadder, and, let us hope, a wiser man.

The province has again been honoured by a visit from the indefatigable Rev. J. H. Taylor of the China Inland Mission. In spite of cold, and his prolonged spell of travel, he was in good health and spirits, as was also his escort, Mr. Russell. His visit was timely, some of his missionaries had heedlessly discarded that appendage which hangs from the head, backwards, popularly known as the "tail," little dreaming the danger they were incurring on themselves and others. It seems never to have dawned upon them that their going about without tails might at any time rouse the natives to rebellion, until it was pointed out by Mr. Taylor. The growing of a tail is not the work of one day, but it is needless to say, that the precaution is now being taken of wearing false tails, until the real ones grow. Thus we hope the danger will be averted.—*N. C. Daily News.*

A Madder Gal.

(After Tung Chia and the "Miller's Daughter.")

Were I her bride—
I'd flatter in the lightest breeze, and when I'd danced into the corner of her eye,
I'd just dance out again, so lovingly I
And with my capers catch the hearts of men
As in a spring.

Were I her nose—
Never should my tip by frost be crimsoned o'er,
But shimmer pale or delicately brown,
And, as the Duke's, inclined gently down,
Never like him who in "Excelsior"
Up, upward goes.

Were I her tongue—
I'd wag with little-little all the day,
Nor ever silent be till night had come,
Till sleep had struck me mercifully dumb,
And all in waves of hush had ebbed away,
The song I sung.

Were I her hand—
I'd never write another nonsense verse,
Nor bid "fan" rhyme reluctantly with "sun,"
Nor match "veil" with "prevail" as had been
done.

Not that such rhymes are crime. I've used
much more.
But then I'm—Tung Chia.

Chemsu? Alack! Am I the only one
Who's here forestalled by Alfred Tennyson?
—*Mercury.*

NEW JAPAN.

The immense and sudden rise of Japan in the scale of national and international importance is inexplicable to the majority of European and American minds only because most people, even in reputedly enlightened countries, are but poorly informed regarding news of the greatest consequence. In spite of free schools and omnipresent newspapers, the greater number of human beings who are able to read use that precious power to but little purpose. They read reams of trash, but pass negligently by printed information of most substantial value that falls to tickle their stunted intellectual palates, eager for sensation.

The comparatively few really intelligent readers scattered over the civilized world are not in the least degree astonished by finding that the empire of the Rising Sun is today a mighty nation, proud, ambitious, masterful, resourceful, mighty in council, with a well equipped, well disciplined, skillfully officered army, with a steel clad navy of the modern pattern, furnished with the most approved ordnance, manned by commanders and marines who know theoretically and practically the dread trade of war.

The denouement is indeed sudden, startling perhaps, but it is nothing more than what was to have been expected. Japan has been getting ready for all this during many eventful years. The faithful students of the world's progress knew a good while ago that the land of the Mikado was rapidly forging to the front, leaving all other Oriental lands hopelessly in the rear, and pressing hard toward the front ranks of Occidental lands. The amount of progress in Japan within 25 years exceeds that exhibited anywhere else on the surface of the globe. The sober truth, which is wonderful in the wildest dreams of fiction, results were achieved in months that elsewhere have required decades, not to say centuries. History records no parallel instances.

The awakening of Russia under the sway of the Czar Peter, surnamed the Great, was neither so swift nor so radical. With the life of one generation Japan has broken loose from immemorial tradition, and taken large steps toward the influence of Christian nations. Nothing but gross ignorance or invincible bigotry can lead anyone to overlook this aspect of the subject. For there is a bigotry of unbelief every bit as stubborn,

stolid and foolish as any bigotry of religion that is or ever was. They who do not know what they are talking about still say that missionaries have made no impression in heathenry except upon a relatively small fraction of the lower orders of mankind. They who speak from knowledge say that in Japan, to take that one case, Christian ideas have already permeated the institutions and populations of the country to such an extent that from the Mikado to the humblest labourer at four cents a day there is no man in the island empire who does not directly or indirectly feel the influence of the new religion, if not as a spiritual force, at least as a creative energy in politics, industry and learning. Statistics never can do more than dimly shadow forth the truth of such a matter. Yet statistics prove that already the faith of missionaries has found multiplied thousands of joyful adherents, that the mission schools are educating tens of thousands of Japanese youth, that missionary literature is scattered broadcast over that fertile field and that in all the native professions, in the ranks of the wealthy and powerful, and in all departments of the government, Christianity is deeply entrenched. In no other so-called pagan land are missionaries so welcome as in Japan. The people there, in their hunger for what Europe and America can give them, are quick to see that the Occident has no richer gift to offer than the reasonable and ennobling faith under whose inspiration Christianity has become the home of all industry.

We may, as we must, lament that the new Japan, although her consciousness of unwonted vigour by waging bloody war, but there is nothing at all astonishing in the fact. It is the way of the world, even of the Christian world. If Christian civilization has not yet attained the point in its progress where words are beaten into ploughshares and spears into pruning-hooks, we cannot think it strange, however sad, that a nation that yesterday awakened from centuries of slumber and superstition, conscious of previously unsuspected strength, but as yet only fitfully conscientious in the use of that strength, asserts its new-found greatness by the only tangible, undisputed method recognized among nations.

Japan is proving herself to be a warlike power, but it is by no means such that she is chiefly interesting to the studious Western mind. We do not share in the apprehension that she is to become a menace to the world's peace. The upward, onward movement is too genuine for that. Her ambitions are not chiefly warlike. We look for her to take a worthy place in the sisterhood of nations that cultivate literature, foster science, promote commerce, cherish the arts, and recognize the value of national religion.—*Boston Daily Advertiser.*

BEAUTIFUL HANDS.

One of woman's greatest charms, writes an authority on the subject, is in the beauty of her hands, members which are truly adorable when their smallness is combined with other indications of fine breeding; but even if they are large, they may still be beautiful if they are shapely, finely made, and white, with blue veins, taper fingers, and rosy nails slightly arched. The women of North America have the smallest hands in the world, and next to them come the Austrian, Spanish, French, and Italian ladies. Those of the fair Spaniards are often spoiled by coarse fingers, rounded at the tip. Russians have long, but beautifully formed hands. The hands of English women of rank are aristocratically shaped, but they are long and sometimes too dry. The French grande dame takes the best care of her hands all the world over. Germans are generally endowed with large and flat ones, with enormous fingers. A typically beautiful hand is that of the Duchess de Nemours (née Anna Murray); it is very small, delicately formed, with taper fingers curved slightly at the extremities, and almond nails. The hand of the Vicomtesse de Galard is exquisite. It recalls Canova's statues of which the hands are smaller and more aristocratic than those of the famous Greek models. A charming specimen of the Russian hand is that of the Duchesse de Seville—long, but superbly made—while that of the Duchesse de la Rochefoucauld and of Lady Randolph Churchill (née Jerome) afford illustrations of the lovely little hand of the North American woman. Most Parisiennes wear six and three-quarter gloves. These are not the smallest sizes for a pretty hand, but are those worn by many of the fairest of the sex, for a tight glove is a perfect abomination. It makes the hand look larger instead of smaller.

When putting gloves on, always begin by buttoning the second button; then, when buttoned to the top, you can easily stretch the first button without tearing the kid. Never remove the gloves by pulling the fingers, but by drawing the part covering the wrist over the hand, and leave them thus wound side out for some time before turning them to their proper shape. Always lay gloves lengthwise; never roll them. Light-coloured gloves should be placed between two pieces of white flannel. There is nothing better to perfume gloves than a tiny tablet of concentrated scent or a small sachet within the hand. A glove thus scented never loses its perfume. Some people pretend that it requires at least five aristocratic generations to make a perfect hand; this is somewhat exaggerated, for much may be done to alleviate the rough influence of hard work, and to all is given the means of having a white and delicate hand, which is a great step towards its beauty even if the hand be not moulded in an aristocratic form. In work or in idleness the hand may with a very little precaution become lovely. The culture of the hand has been once easy of the moderns, but so civilized would never close their hands for fear of hardening their joints. For the same reason, pages and footmen used to carry their mistress's prayer-book too heavy for her delicate hands, and no lady ever dreamed of opening a door herself for fear of spilling them. The first lady who carried a prayer-book to church opened and shut her own doors was considered a "strong emancipated" woman by her more prejudiced sisters.

Nowadays women have become far more reasonable on this score, as on many others; but still it is well not to swing to an opposite extreme in neglecting too much the care of the hand. Riding, driving, tennis, rowing, and housework are detrimental to the beauty. But even with these employments, we may keep the hands fairly soft if we will, by giving them a few moments' care and attention at the end of the day's work. Always wear gloves whenever and wherever you can. If you cannot do this, and the palm of your hand becomes rough, rub it gently with pumice-stone until it regains its pliant velvet softness. In the morning after washing the hands with hot water, rub them with a slice of lemon, which will soften and polish the nails. Use soap as little as possible. Lemon and, if necessary, a pinch of salt will remove the most obstinate stains. Never throw away lemon or orange peel, for these alone will sometimes take away stains without even using soap. The strawberry and sorrel leaves steeped in milk are also among nature's cosmetics for the hand.

DEAFNESS. An essay describing a really genuine Cure for Deafness, Singing in Ear, &c., that does not take largely into account the influence of Christian missions. Nothing but gross ignorance or invincible bigotry can lead anyone to overlook this aspect of the subject. For there is a bigotry of unbelief every bit as stubborn,

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
The Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA,"
Captain Hodgkin, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1894. [1339]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
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"ESMERALDA,"
Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at 5 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1894. [1345]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
MEMBERS are reminded that NOMINATIONS for the HONGKONG DERBY, to be run on WEDNESDAY, 20th February, CLOSE on SATURDAY next, the 29th inst.

HART BUCK,
Acting Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1894. [1343]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.
NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
THE OFFICES of the BANK have this Day been REMOVED to the NEW PREMISES, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A. C. MARSHALL, Manager.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1894. [1340]

PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON

SATURDAY, the 29th December, 1894, commencing at 2.45 P.M., at No. 1, VICTORIA VIEW, KOWLOON, the Residence of CHAS. GRANT, Esq.,

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DRAWING-ROOM SUITE in CORDED SILK TAPESTRY (Quite New), FANCY CHAIRS and TABLES, OVERMANTLES, &c.; Hardwood Large BLACKWOOD CABINET, OIL-PAINTINGS, CHROMOS, BRONZES, ORNAMENTS, FRENCH CLOCK, SET OF BRASS FENDERS, BRUSSELS CARPETS and FINE WHITE LACE CURTAINS (Quite New), RUGS, LINOLUM, BOOK-CASE and BOOKS, MUSIC BOX, &c., &c.,

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EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, DINNER WAGON, &c., DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO-PLATE and GLASS WARE, &c., &c.

DOUBLE and SINGLE BRASS-MOUNTED IRON BEDSTEPS, &c., &c.; HOLTZ SHANGHAI-MADE BEDROOM SUITE with DAVENPORT, ONE BEDROOM SUITE in BIRD'S-EYE MAPLE, COMPLETE DOUBLE and SINGLE SETS, and SUNDRY other BED-ROOM FURNITURE, &c., &c.

HALL FURNITURE, PANTRY and KITCHEN REQUISITES, LAWN MOWER, TENNIS NET, POLES, &c., RICKSHA, &c., &c.

Catalogues issued prior to Sale. On View from Friday, the 29th instant.

TERMS OF SALE:—As customary. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1894. [1341]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER, to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1894. [1344]

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Extra Bedrooms, per month.....\$10 to \$15
For full particulars, apply to the MANAGER, New Victoria Hotel, Hongkong, 19th October, 1894. [1335]


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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1894. [1338]

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Hongkong, 13th August, 1894. [643]

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Hongkong, 14th June, 1894. [1330]

MAILS EXPECTED.
THE FRENCH MAIL. The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Yvetot*, with the outward bound, French mail, left Singapore on the 19th instant at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on the 27th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL. The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Ossanti*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 4th instant. The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 13th instant.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MAIL. The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Sula* left Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 23rd ultimo. The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Victoria* left Tacoma on the 12th instant for Japan and Hongkong.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.
The "Shire" line steamer

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank—114 per cent, premium, sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8.00, paid up—20, sellers.
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CHINESE LOANS.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886—£11 per cent, premium.

MARINE INSURANCES.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$127 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$59 per share, buyers.
North China Insurance—£120 per share, buyers.
China Insurance Company, Limited—\$145 per share, buyers.
Yankee Insurance Association—\$77, buyers.
Guangdong Insurance Company, Limited—£15 per share, buyers.
The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$161 per share, sellers.

FIRE INSURANCES.

Hong Kong Fire Insurance Company—\$175 per share, sellers.
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Hong Kong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$50 per share, sales and buyers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$66, sellers.
Indo China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—\$30, sellers.
Hundred Steamship Company—\$51 sales and buyers.
China Mutual Shipping Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—\$60 per share, nominal.
China Mutual Shipping Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$21 per share, nominal.

REFINERIES.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$140 per share, sellers.
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Panama Mining Co.—(Ordinary)—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.
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AIRLINE, British steamer, 2,400, W. Ellis, 24th Dec.—Sydney and Dec. Townsville 6th, Cocktown 7th, Thursday 1st Dec. 10th, and Port Darwin 14th, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Freight, Danish steamer, for Hallow.
Thaler, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Kara, British steamer, for Yokohama.
Parthian, British steamer, for Saigon.
Hongkong, French steamer, for Haiphong.

DEPARTURES.
December 22, Paoting, British steamer, for Shanghai.
December 22, Wosang, British steamer, for Taiwan.
December 22, Nanyang, German steamer, for Shanghai.

December 22, Sishan, British str., for Swatow.
December 22, Benladi, British str., for Kobe.
December 22, Kaitong, British str., for Canton.
December 22, Teit, German str., for Canton.
December 22, Kung-ping, British steamer, for Canton.

December 22, Hattan, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
December 22, Agata, German steamer, for Yokohama.
December 24, Kara, British str., for Yokohama.
December 24, Nurnberg, British steamer, for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.
Per Formosa, from Tientsin, &c.—Captain and Mrs. Gould and son, Mrs. and Miss Jackson, Miss Scheffer, 5 Europeans and 34 Chinese (deck).
Per Jacob Diederichsen, from Haiphong, &c.—15 Chinese.

Per Propontis, from Singapore—162 Chinese.
Per Delta, from Sydney, &c.—Miss Blakeley, Miss Roberts, Messrs. Ellis, Blais, and 52 Chinese.
Per Para Chom Kiao, from Bangkok, &c.—148 Chinese.

REPORTS.
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The German steamer Jacob Diederichsen reports that she left Haiphong on the 19th instant, and had light to moderate winds and fine weather.

The British steamship Propontis reports that she left Singapore on the 19th instant, and had light to moderate winds and fine weather.
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For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan on Wednesday, the 26th instant, at 11 A.M.
For Europe, &c., India and Australia, and Mauritius—Per Oriz on Wednesday, the 26th instant, at 11 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.
ARRIVALS.
ARRATOON APCAR, British steamer, 1,300, J. E. Hansen, 20th Dec.—Calcutta 1st Dec., Penang 8th, and Singapore 15th, Opaton and General—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
AROTIA, British steamer, 1,886, Williamson, 20th Dec.—Amoy 18th Dec., General—Dodwell, Carllill & Co.

CASH, Chinese steamer, 705, M. Genssa, 14th Dec.—Pescadore 13th Dec.—Order.
CHANG HOCK KIAN, British steamer, 950, M. Knuth, 19th Dec.—Singapore 11th Dec., General—Bun Hui & Co.
CHINA, German steamer, 1,114, T. T. Andersen, 20th Dec.—Saigon 13th Dec., General—Rico-Melchers & Co.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British steamer, 1,004, G. A. Lee, 19th Dec.—Vancouver 12th Dec., Yokohama 18th, Nagasaki 19th, and Shanghai 1st Dec., Mails and General—C. P. Railway and Steamship Co.
FAME, British steamer, 117, Captain Stapan.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s tug.

FRY, Danish steamer, 397, C. L. Strand, 22nd Dec.—Pahol 19th Dec., and Hallow 21st Dec., General—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
HONGKONG, French steamer, 739, C. Bartran, 22nd Dec.—Haiphong 20th Dec., General—A. R. Marty.
PANTHAR, British steamer, 1,040, C. C. Tibbott, 20th Dec.—Maitia 15th Dec., General—Villiers & Co.

PERU, American steamer, 2,539, D. E. Friele, 21st Dec.—San Francisco 24th Nov., Yokohama 14th, and Nagasaki 17th, Mails and General—P. M. S. S. Co.
SHAMOL, British steamer, 2,044, L. H. Crawford, 22nd Dec.—Shanghai 19th Dec., General—P. O. S. N. Co.
STRATHGEE, British steamer, 1,454, J. F. Foulds, 21st Dec.—Mororan (Japan), 4th Dec., Coals—Dodwell, Carllill & Co.

SWATOW, German steamer, 635, H. Bransen, 21st Dec.—Haiphong 18th Dec., and Hallow 20th Dec., General—A. R. Marty.
TRALER, British steamer, 820, H. Bathurst, 22nd Dec.—Taiwan 19th Dec., Amoy 20th, and Swatow 21st, General—D. Laprak & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 21st Nov.—Manila 20th Nov., General—Shewan & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.
BAYARD, British bark, 1,319, W. Richards, 7th Dec.—Kobe 20th Nov., Ballast—Wielers & Co.
BYLIDA, German barque, 353, Mangelsoff, 23rd Nov.—Amoy 7th November, Ballast—Wielers & Co.

E. R. WOOD, British bark, 401, J. Hansen, 21st Dec.—Amoy 10th December, General—Order.
GEORGIETTA, American barque, 436, Kewten, 18th Dec.—Tientsin 7th December, Boats—Wielers & Co.
KITTY, British barque, 803, Wilson, 17th Dec.—Nevchaw 6th Nov., and Cheloo 28th, General—Order.

LUCILE, American ship, 1,379, John Connally, 11th Dec.—Manila 16th Nov., Ballast—Order.
OMEGA, British bark, 480, Brown, 20th Nov.—Callao 30th September, General—Master.
SERRA MIRANDA, British ship, 1,790, A. McMaster, 20th Nov.—Cardiff 9th August, Coals—Governments.

SYNTRAM, American ship, 1,590, Wandside, 20th Dec.—Yokohama 9th December, Ballast—Order.
STANFIELD, British bark, 650, Clark, 12th Dec.—Whampoa 11th December, General—Wielers & Co.

TAM O'SHANTER, American ship, 1,522, Thos. Peabody, 1st Dec.—Kutchinora 23rd Nov., Coals—Order.
WANDERING JEW, American ship, 1,560, D. C. Nichols, 25th Nov.—New York 2nd July, Kerosene Oil—Order.

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D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Paddler's Street, [3]
Hongkong, 28th November, 1894.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) Saturday, 29th Dec., at Daylight.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) Wednesday, 16th Jan., at Daylight.
City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) Wednesday, 6th Feb., at Daylight.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship
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Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

C. L. GORHAM, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1894. [1]

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)
Sikh Tuesday January 1st.
Victoria Tuesday January 22nd.
Tacoma Tuesday February 26th.
Sikh Tuesday March 19th.
Victoria Tuesday April 9th.

THE Steamship
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Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in duplicate; and one copy must be sent forward to the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.
Parbills must be sent to our Office with address marked in full by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.
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DODD, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, 12th December, 1894. [14]

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